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<b>AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111</b>  Address to: Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket No.	SHIM-012
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	Examiner Name	COUNTS, GARY W.
Title: "METHOD FOR DETECTING MEGSIN PROTEIN AND USE THEREOF"		

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated January 5, 2004 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before April 5, 2004. A petition and fee for a two month extension of time is attached making the response timely filed on June 7, 2004 in that June 5, 2004 fell on a Saturday. In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

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In the event other petitions are required or fees are necessary in connection with those petitions or other matters to maintain the pendency of the application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication, including any necessary fees for extensions of time, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0815, order number SHIM-012.

Respectfully submitted,  
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